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SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: JAMAICAN STATEMENT AT NAM
SUMMIT ON CARIBBEAN DESTABILIZATION

1. SEPTTEL REPORTS DETAILS FONMIN THOMPSON'S STATEMENT BEFORE
NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE IN SRI LANKA, WITH EXCEPTION
LANGUAGE ON DESTABILIZATION. FOLLOWING IS FULL TEXT HIS
REMARKS ON LATTER.

2. BEGIN TEXT - "MADAM PRESIDENT, ANOTHER MAJOR ISSUE WHICH
THIS CONFERENCE MUST TACKLE IS THE INCREASING EVIDENCE OF
INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF STATES AIMED AT
DESTABILIZING GOVERNMENTS WHICH SEEK TO PURSUE INDEPENDENT
PROGRESSIVE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC POLICIES. THE TECHNIQUES
EMPLOYED BY THE DESTABILIZING POWERS WILL VARY BUT THE END
OF TOTAL SUBVERSION OF THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC POLICIES
OF THE STATE REMAINS CONSTANT. THERE HAVE BEEN INCREASING
EFFORTS TO DESTABILIZE GOVERNMENTS IN THE LATIN AMERICAN
REGION WHICH DO NOT SUBSCRIBE TO THE IDEOLOGIES OR
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POLICIES OF THOSE SEEKING TO IMPOSE OR PERPETUATE HEGEMONY

IN THIS AREA.

"INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF STATES BY HEGEMONIC POWERS HAS TAKEN MANY AND VARIED FORMS FROM DIRECT AND BRUTAL MILITARY INTERVENTIONISM TO THE MORE SUBTLE, ALL-PERVASIVE SUBVERSIVE EFFORTS WHICH CHARACTERIZE THE CONTEMPORARY PHENOMENON OF DESTABILIZATION. THE WORLD HAS SEEN THE EFFECTS OF THIS TECHNIQUE MOST NOTICEABLY IN LATIN AMERICA ALTHOUGH DESTABILIZATION IS NOT AT ALL PECULIAR TO THIS REGION. NEVERTHELESS, THE EXPERIENCE OF GUATEMALA IN 1954, THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC IN 1965 AND MOST RECENTLY CHILE IN 1973 - TO MENTION A FEW CASES - SHOULD SERVE TO ALERT ALL PROGRESSIVE GOVERNMENTS TO THIS THREAT. IN THE CASE OF CHILE PARTICULARLY, THE RECORD SHOWS QUITE CLEARLY TO ALL WHO CARE TO READ, THE ACTIVE DESTABILIZATION BY EXTERNAL FORCES WAS THE DIRECT PRECURSOR TO THE RUTHLESS AND MURDEROUS OVERTHROW OF THE FREELY-ELECTED, DEMOCRATIC AND PROGRESSIVE GOVERNMENT OF SALVADOR ALLENDE. MORE IMPORTANT, HOWEVER, IS THE FACT THAT THE COVERT ACTIVITIES OF THE EXTERNAL FORCES WERE BEING UNDERTAKEN SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH STERN DENIALS OF ANY SUCH DESTABILIZING ACTIVITIES BY THE OFFICIAL GOVERNMENTS OF THE COUNTRIES FROM WHICH THE EXTERNAL DESTABILIZATION WAS BEING CONDUCTED.

"THEN THERE IS THE CASE OF CUBA WHERE EVERY MEANS FROM ABORTIVE INVASION, TO ECONOMIC BLOCKADE AND EMBARGO, HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED IN AN EFFORT TO ISOLATE AND BRING DOWN THE REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT.

"THEREFORE, MAKE NO MISTAKE ABOUT IT, WHILE DENIALS MIGHT ISSUE, THE EVIL HAND IS AT WORK AND GOVERNMENTS TRYING TO IMPROVE THE LOT OF THEIR PEOPLES SHALL SWIFTLY COME TO GRIEF UNLESS THEY ARE ALERT AND FULLY ON GUARD AGAINST THE DESTABILIZATION TECHNIQUES OF THE REACTIONARY FORCES OF IMPERIALISM AND DOMINATION.

"MADAM PRESIDENT, IN ADDRESSING MYSELF TO THIS ISSUE OF DESTABILIZATION, I WISH HERE TO ADD A WORD OF GRATITUDE TO THE SEVERAL GOVERNMENTS WHICH HAVE ALREADY EXPRESSED CONCERN ON OUR BEHALF, AND TO CALL FOR SOLIDARITY AGAINST THOSE SEEKING
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TO DIVIDE US.

"THE GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA PARTICULARLY DEPLORES THE ATTEMPTS BY SOME HOSTILE GOVERNMENTS AND OTHER EXTERNAL REACTIONARY ELEMENTS TO FOSTER DISHARMONY WITHIN OUR SOCIETY AND TO CONDUCT THROUGH THEIR MEDIA A CAREFULLY PLANNED AND ORCHESTRATED SMEAR CAMPAIGN AGAINST OUR COUNTRY. WE ALSO SYMPATHIZE WITH OTHER PROGRESSIVE

LATIN AMERICAN GOVERNMENTS WHICH FACE SIMILAR PROBLEMS TO OUR OWN AND WITH WHOM WE HAVE JOINED TO COMBAT THE SUBVERSIVE DESTABILIZATION CAMPAIGN. AS A NON-ALIGNED COUNTRY JAMAICA CANNOT ACCEPT THE VIEW THAT THERE ARE ONLY TWO IDEOLOGIES IN THE WORLD BETWEEN WHICH COUNTRIES MUST CHOOSE. IT IS THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE OF OUR COUNTRY THROUGH THEIR FREELY ELECTED AND REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT TO SELECT THE COURSE WHICH THEY CHOOSE TO TAKE. WE THEREFORE CALL UPON ALL NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES TO SHOW THEIR REGARD FOR THE TRUE INDEPENDENCE OF STATES BY FORCEFUL CONDEMNATION OF THE DESTABILIZING TACTICS FREQUENTLY EMPLOYED BY GREAT POWERS WHICH WOULD WISH TO PERPETUATE NEO-COLONIALISM, DEPENDENCY AND SUBSERVIENCE AMONG THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD. IN THIS CONNECTION, MY GOVERNMENT WELCOMES THE PROPOSALS SUBMITTED TO THIS CONFERENCE BY GUYANA AND WE FEEL THAT THESE PROVIDE A SOUND BASIS FOR PROMOTING EFFECTIVE ACTION BY THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT TO COUNTER INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF STATE." END TEXT.
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